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In re

Patent Application of

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Filed: concurrently herewith

"INTEGRATED HEAT RECOVERY
VENTILATOR HEPA FILTER USING A HEPA
FILTER MATERIAL REGENERATIVE HEAT
EXCHANGER"

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a continuation application for U.S. Serial No. 09/082,171 (hereinafter, the "parent application"). The amendments to the claims and the remarks made herein are intended to address certain rejections made by the Examiner during prosecution of the parent application. Please enter the following changes to the claims and remarks related thereto into the record of the subject application prior to formal examination thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel claims 1-7 and 24.

Substitute the following claims for the corresponding numbered claims in the application.